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Applicant: George E. Barringer, Jr.
Application No.: 10/601,277 Group: 1743
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Confirmation No.: 6447
For: AUTOMATED MACROMOLECULE SAMPLE PREPARATION SYSTEM

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Transmitted herewith is a Second Preliminary Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

[X] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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* not fewer than 20
** not fewer than 3

SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$9	\$ 0
X \$43	\$ 0
+ \$145	\$

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$18	\$
X \$86	\$
+ \$290	\$

OR

TOTAL = \$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,

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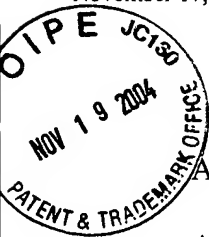
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please amend the application as follows: